

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Rebecca Morales

Date: 12/4/2020

DAS Assignment # _2_ (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Justin Kent Badgett

License number of the defendant: 788878

Date action was taken against the license: February 5, 2015

Type of action taken against the license: failure to appropriately document

The nurse failed to document the wastage of hydrocodone, hydromorphone, and oxycodone when giving them to patients. This could have caused an overdose in patients and put the hospital and pharmacy in violation of the controlled substances act. The nurse was then submitted to a drug test and came back positive for all three drugs in question.

The nurse should have been more diligent and documented correctly and not taken the drug for them self. If the nurse noticed that they had that urge to take the drug, they should have consulted someone and gotten help to fight the urge. This ultimately could have prevented any harm to the patient since drugs can alter a person's mental status and if the nurse is not able to provide appropriate care then they need to be taken off the floor.

Approach the nurse and try to explain the consequences to the patient and their job. They would try and see if they could help find a support group or an alternative that would be a therapeutic substitute for drugs. They would then have to tell the charge nurse and nurse manager of the events that took place and possibly have to write a report up on the actions so that they are in writing from a witness.